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RIRIHA HAD SOMETHING SHE WANTED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT...
IT'S KAEDE. IN CLASS SHE'S ALWAYS BY HERSELF
YUZUMORI-SAN IS...?
I'M SORRY IF THIS IS A BIT SUDDEN...
BUT IT'D BE A BIT HARD TO TALK TO MAMA, OR A TEACHER ABOUT...
MIMIKA-SAN, YOU'RE AN OLDER FRIEND OF KAEDE'S...
SO I WANTED TO TELL YOU...
AH, I'LL ABSOLUTELY LISTEN!
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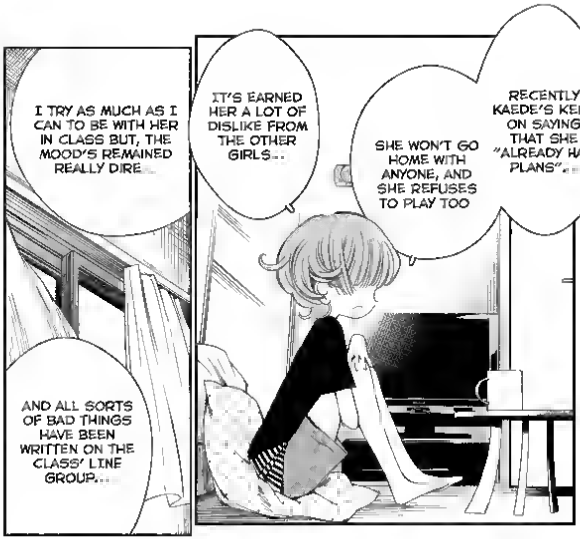

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TO START WITH...
EVERYONE REALLY LOOKED UP TO KAEDE BECAUSE OF HOW ADULT LIKE SHE DRESSED.
I THINK SHE DID WANT TO TRY AND GET ON WELL WITH EVERYONE.
BUT...
SOME LOUD, INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE ALREADY HAD THAT SORT OF "MOOD" ABOUT THEM.
KAEDE'S NOT EXACTLY THE TYPE TO...
TALK ABOUT HER OWN FEELINGS, SO SHE'S NOT SAID IT OUTRIGHT BUT.
WITH THINGS NOT GOING WELL IN CLASS...
IT SEEMS SHE'S REALLY FINDING THINGS HARD AND LONELY...

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I FIGURED THOSE LOUD MOUTHED KIDS WOULD LISTEN IF I SAID SOMETHING!
THOUGHT THINGS MIGHT BE OKAY GOING FORWARDS!
BUT YOU KNOW, I. .
STILL...
AND YET...
...

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES WE ASK KAEDE, SHE STILL TURNS US DOWN...
JUST WHAT IS SHE DOING AFTER SCHOOL...
IF YOU ASK, SHE OUTRIGHT REFUSES TO TELL YOU
I THOUGHT WE... WERE BEST FRIENDS BUT...
AAH, I'M...
NOT TRUSTED...
...

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JUST WHAT IS SHE DOING AFTER SCHOOL...
IF YOU ASK, SHE OUTRIGHT REFUSES TO TELL YOU.
...
EH, WHAT IS ALL THIS, I DON'T GET IT, WHERE AM I LOOKING.
YOU'RE ON THE UPPER SCREEN RIRIHA... FOR NOW JUST GO TOWARDS THAT SPOT OVER THERE
GO WHERE EXACTLY?!
...
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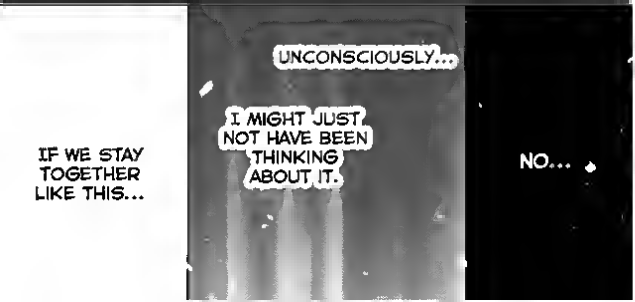
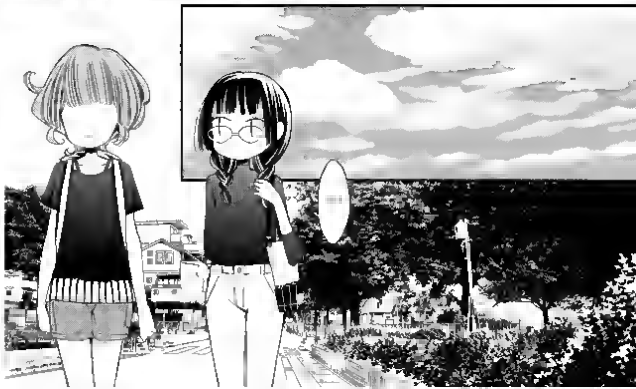
THIS SCENE
IT SEEMS TO BE QUITE NATURAL...
...
IT'S REALLY PLEASANT, EVEN...
AAAAAH.
NATURAL...
REALLY...

I HADN'T WANTED TO NOTICE...



BE ALONE WHER-EVER SHE GOES.
AND THUS—
YUZU-MORI-SAN.
WILL DEFINITELY PRIORITISE ME OVER HER FRIENDS
OR HIGH SCHOOL.
IN MIDDLE SCHOOL...

…
「一番の親友のつもりでいたけど……」
I THOUGHT WE WERE BEST FRIENDS BUT...



WHY LIE?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
IT'S BEEN OVER A YEAR OR SO SINCE YUZUMORI-SAN LEFT THE GROUP AND ENDED UP BY HERSELF...
SHE'S ONLY GOTTEN ON WELL WITH MIMIKA-SAN FOR SEVERAL MONTHS NOW!!!
SO MIMIKA-SAN HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH IT.
AAALRIGHT, SO MAYBE I EXAGGERATED A LITTLE BIT?
...
IT'S STILL TRUE THAT SHE'S BY HERSELF THOUGH.
RIRIHA, JUST WHAT ARE TRYING TO DO...?

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